

77. (New) An imaging system according to claim 75 wherein said boom is coupled to a mount that is configured to be secured to said wall surface.

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78. (New) An imaging system according to claim 75 wherein said controller includes a first button actuable by an operator to cause said controller to condition said imaging device to capture an image and a second button actuable by an operator to cause said controller to post said captured image to said site.--

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

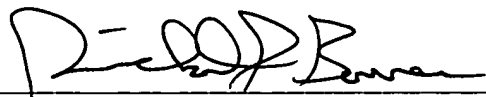
Claims 1-78 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 23, 42, 51, 56, 62, 68, and 74 are independent.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance, and a Notice thereof is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Marked-up Claims

51. (Once Amended) An image publication and distribution method comprising the steps of:

acquiring an image of a target area that includes information recorded on said target area using an optical recording device, said optical recording device being mounted on a generally horizontal boom positioned above said target area;

[processing said image to form an electronic black on white image of the information recorded on said target area;]
and

[automatically publishing] posting said [electronic] image to a site in response to user input to allow said [electronic] image to be accessed by a user through a [web] client browser application.

53. (Once Amended) The method of claim 51 [wherein during said] further comprising the step of processing said image [data is processed] to yield high contrast pen strokes on a white or empty background prior to said posting.

54. (Once Amended) The method of claim 53 further comprising the step of presenting said [electronic] image on a display device while said [electronic] image is being posted.